

**COMMUNITY BENEFITS RECAP**

Please note that the deadline for Community Benefits is April 1, 2022. There are also two additional data points we would like to collect this year (see footnotes for more info).

Once completed, please rename the document to reflect the name of your organization. Email an excel and PDF version to PILOTprogram@boston.gov.

**INSTITUTION NAME:**

Franciscan Children's

**FINANCIAL YEAR:**

FY2021

Program Name	Brief Program Description	Amount (\$)	Cash, In-Kind, or Both <sup>1</sup>	1-time or Ongoing <sup>2</sup>	Who is Served <sup>3</sup>	Program Initiator <sup>4</sup>	City-wide or Neighborhoods Served <sup>5</sup>	Community Benefit Category <sup>6</sup>	Partners
<b>Franciscan Children's Boston-Based Programs Serving the Community</b>									
Children's Wellness Initiative	Ongoing program that provided school-based mental health counseling and psychiatry services, combined with outreach, education, and prevention, in 10 Boston Public Schools in FY21. The goal is to increase access to mental health services for families, as well as build connections between schools and families and de-stigmatize accessing mental health services. The need for more school-based mental health services was identified in our 2018 and 2021 Community Health Needs Assessments. During the pandemic, this program continued to operate virtually.	\$365,000	In-Kind	Ongoing	Students in Boston Public Schools	Franciscan Children's	Allston, Brighton, Mattapan, and Dorchester	Community Health	Boston Public Schools
Adaptive sports programming	Franciscan Children's offered an adaptive sports camp consisting of basketball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, and bowling and an adaptive sailing program during FY21. These programs were directed towards families of children with disabilities in the Greater Boston community and included therapeutic components from our rehabilitative therapy services. During FY21, Franciscan Children's also hired a full-time Director of Adaptive Sports to expand offerings for the upcoming year.	\$128,000	In-Kind	Ongoing	Greater Boston families	Franciscan Children's	City-wide	Community Health	The Impossible Dream
Volunteer program	Franciscan Children's coordinates opportunities for volunteers for the surrounding community.	\$65,000	In-Kind	Ongoing	Boston community	Franciscan Children's	City-wide	Good Neighbor Activity	
<b>Franciscan Children's Hosting Community Events and Forums</b>									
"So Every Kid Can" mental health podcast	Franciscan Children's developed a series of nine 1-hr podcast episodes tackling key topics related to pediatric mental health to educate the larger community. Each podcast episode featured at least one expert from Franciscan's mental health programming and/or the community providing education on mental health. The podcast included cutting edge subjects such as debunking the myths of suicide, recognizing the warning signs of suicide and how to intervene, a parent's perspective on suicide, strategies for helping children to cope in the pandemic (2 episodes), children and their emotions, how to cultivate hope, and how to support a child's mental health crisis, among others.	\$4,100	In-Kind	1-time	Massachusetts families and professionals	Franciscan Children's	City-wide	Community Health	Franciscan partnered with various community groups and experts in the mental health field in hosting the podcast.

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Kids Healthy Minds Initiative	Through a partnership with the Archdiocese, Franciscan Children's offers mental health education in Catholic Schools and community sites in Massachusetts about the early warning signs of mental health in youth to decrease the stigma and misconceptions surrounding mental illness and corresponding treatment. In FY21, Kids Healthy Minds Initiative provided programming or consultation in the following sites in Boston: St. John's School in the North End, Burke High School in Dorchester, St. Columbkille in Brighton, and St. John Paul II Catholic Academies in Brighton. The need for more mental health programming was identified in our 2018 and 2021 Community Health Needs Assessments.	\$1,500 (specific to Boston)	In-Kind	Ongoing	Greater Boston students and school staff in Catholic schools across the Archdiocese	Franciscan Children's	Brighton, North End, Dorchester in FY21	Community Health	Archdiocese of Boston
<b>Franciscan Children's Supporting Community Events</b>									
Oak Square Farmer's Market sponsorship	The goal of the Oak Square Farmer's Market is to bring fresh produce and community resources to those in need. Franciscan Children's is a proud sponsor of this 12-week event. Access to healthy foods was an issue identified in Franciscan's previous community health needs assessments.	\$3,500	Cash	Ongoing, annually	Allston/Brighton families	Allston Brighton Health Collaborative	Allston/Brighton	Good Neighbor Activity, Direct Monetary Support to City of Boston Program	Allston Brighton Health Collaborative
National Alliance for Mental Illness Annual Walk	The National Alliance for Mental Illness brings together brings together 5000+ people of all ages every May to combat discrimination, raise funds, and promote awareness of mental health.	\$3,500	Cash	Ongoing, annually	Greater Boston professionals and families	National Alliance for Mental Illness	City-wide	Good Neighbor Activity	National Alliance for Mental Illness
Boston 25 Gets Real about Kids and Mental Health	Franciscan Children's Director of Outpatient Behavioral Health Services participated in a panel discussion with Kerry Kavanaugh and other experts about the pediatric mental health crisis and how the pandemic has exacerbated this crisis. Franciscan offered tips for parents to identify warning signs of mental health issues with their children and offered information on how and where to get help.	\$440	In-Kind	1-time	Greater Boston families	Boston 25 news channel	City-wide	Community Health	Boston 25
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT:</b>		<b>\$569,540</b>							